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Inquiry: Clarification of whether licensed respiratory care practitioners can provide conscious sedation during bronchoscopy and administer IV and subcutaneous medications in relation to respiratory care procedures and medications.

Response: The RCB classifies Conscious Sedation During Bronchoscopy as Classification 1B; not verbatim from the Respiratory Care Practice Act but, in the Respiratory Care Board's judgment, highly inferred and allowed.

Please see Section 3702 of the RCPA for more information.

Also, the RCB suggests that a "respiratory care protocol," as specified in Section 3702 of the RCPA, be developed for this procedure.

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